Mr. I. RAMAN MENON.

He will leave information behind to the compounder so as to enable them to find him out.

Mr. T. A RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

We have to depend upon the compounder. In our State we have only an Assistant Surgeon. We have to depend upon the compounders.

Mr. I. RAMAN MENON.

The compounder can conveniently attend to urgent cases.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

The difficulty is that he cannot attend himself.

Mr. I. RAMAN MENON.

The Surgeon will come out of his camp. That is the case in all the Hospitals. In Veterinary Hospitals there is only one Surgeon, while, in other Hospitals, there are Hospital Assistants.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

Not in all.

Mr. I. RAMAN MENON.

Here we have only compounders.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

In the majority of the Hospitals, there are no assistants.

The Transfer of the Veterinary Department to the Agricultural Department.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR

54. On what grounds was the Veterinary Department transferred from the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer to that of the Agricultural Superintendent ?

Mr. I. RAMAN MENON.

The grounds of transfer are explained in the Diwan's Proceedings, Local and Legislative Department, C. No. 773/98, dated 9th August 1923, which will be found published in the Cochin Government Gazette, dated 26th Karkadagam 1098.

The Qualification of the Agricultural Superintendent to become the Veterinary Head.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

55. What qualification has the Agricultural Superintendent to become a Veterinary Head? What does he know about medicine and its application to the profession ? And how is he competent to inspect and check the vagaries, if any, of his subordinates—professional Veterinary Surgeons ?

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